



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**INVENTOR:** ELLIOT CHARLES SEMET  
**APPLICATION NO.:** 10/816,675  
**FILED:** APRIL 2, 2004  
**FOR:** INTERLOCKING INTRAMEDULLARY NAILS WITH  
THREADED GUIDE WIRE  
**ATTORNEY REF. NO.:** SEMET-006  
**GROUP ART UNIT:** 3732  
**EXAMINER:** ANNETTE R. REIMERS

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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In response to the Office Action mailed on August 24, 2005, Applicant, through his undersigned Counsel, hereby submits this response. As a preliminary matter, it should be noted that a Power of Attorney executed by the inventor is being submitted herewith authorizing the undersigned to prosecute this application.